

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
JULY 13, 2004
CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

The Board convened in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Commissioners Stanton, Pridemore, and Morris, Chair, present.

PRESENTATION

The Board recognized Kay Koontz, Director, Department of Health, for her many years of service in the area of public health. Commissioner Morris read and presented a retirement plaque to Mrs. Koontz, who thanked the Commissioners and County Administrator, Bill Barron, for their support. The Board and Mr. Barron thanked Kay for her significant contributions to the people of Clark County.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Commissioners conducted the Flag Salute.

Convened as the Board of Health

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Stanton to approve consent agenda items 1 through 3. Members Morris, Stanton, and Pridemore voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 110)

The Board of Health adjourned and convened as the Board of County Commissioners

BID AWARD 2376

Reconvened a public hearing for Bid Award 2376 – Coated Chain Link Fence for Treatment Plant. Mike Westerman, General Services, read a memo recommending that Bid 2376 be awarded to the lowest bidder. There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Pridemore to award Bid 2376 to North 40 Fencing of Vancouver, Washington, in the total bid amount of \$11,218.55, including Washington State sales tax and to grant authority to the County Administrator to sign all bid-related contracts. Commissioner Stanton disclosed that she is related by marriage to the owner of North 40 Fencing. Commissioners Morris, Stanton, and Pridemore voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 110)

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BID AWARD 2377

Reconvened a public hearing for Bid Award 2377 – De-Construction/Demolition of 520 NW 179th Street. Mike Westerman, General Services, stated that the bid prices exceeded the original estimate by 50%. He said that Purchasing and Public Works/Real Property Services feel that there is an insufficient response to determine a competitive cost for this service and, therefore, recommend the rejection of Bid 2377. He explained that they would explore other marketing options and re-bid at a later time. There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Stanton to reject Bid 2377, returning it to staff for re-evaluation. Commissioners Morris, Stanton, and Pridemore voted aye. Motion carried. (Tape 110)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Stephanie Turlay, 2211 NE 157th Avenue, Vancouver, Washington, commented on the issue of fireworks in Clark County. Ms. Turlay stated that from a public safety perspective the fireworks have gotten out of control and that the current ordinances are out of date and need to be revamped. She provided examples of misuse of fireworks in her neighborhood. Turlay noted that many other cities have banned the use of fireworks and that there must be some sensibility behind that. She asked the Board to take a closer look at the issue and do something to change it.

Morris asked if it the concern was about all fireworks or just the aerals.

Turlay responded. She then stated that the problem lies with enforcement because the county doesn't have the manpower to handle it. She pointed out that many of the fireworks are bought at Indian reservations. She suggested that a sign should be posted on the way out of the reservation stating that if fireworks are discovered in a person's vehicle they will be fined. She explained that a guard would be present to search outgoing vehicles for illegal fireworks. She recommended a fine of \$500 to \$1,000.

Stanton agreed with Ms. Turlay and stated that this year was by far the worst in memory.

Pridemore noted that the issue had been raised last year and the board did look into it. He said they asked for statistics from many fire and police departments; however, there wasn't very much data so it was difficult for him to conclude that they needed to do something about it. He said this year – before and after the Fourth of July holiday – he watched people setting off fireworks from four o'clock in the afternoon to after midnight. He said he was astonished that people could burn so much money. Pridemore agreed with Ms. Turlay in that it's time to readdress the issue and see what can be done.

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CONSENT AGENDA

There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Pridemore to approve consent agenda items 1 through 11. Commissioners Morris, Stanton, and Pridemore voted aye. Motion carried. (Tape 110)

PUBLIC HEARING: ROAD VACATION, PORTION OF DELFEL ROAD

Held a public hearing to consider the vacation for a portion of Delfel Road located approximately between two locked gates extending approximately 500 feet south of NE 179th Street and more particularly described in Clark County Resolution 2004-04-02

Bronson Potter, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, presented. He stated that when the Amphitheater was constructed, Delfel Road was realigned to the west. He explained that when Delfel Road was realigned, the Washington State Department of Transportation requested that old Delfel Road be blocked because of its proximity to the southbound I-5 on-ramp. Potter referenced a land exchange agreement previously approved by the board in which they would be exchanging the vacated property for a piece of property located immediately to the north of the construction site for the Exposition Center. He explained that this will enable trucks to park on the north side of the Exposition Center. He pointed out the Engineer's Report, which is recommending the vacation of old Delfel Road.

Stanton asked if the roads would always be referred to as "old" and "new" Delfel Road.

Pete Capell, Director of Public Works, responded that he would have to follow up on the road naming.

Pridemore asked everyone involved had been notified of the vacation.

Capell said yes, it was posted. He added that as part of the condition of the vacation when a property develops, some emergency access needs to be maintained; not necessarily on that prior route, but there needs to be access for emergency vehicles should new Delfel Road be blocked for any reason.

There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Pridemore to approve the Final Order Vacating a portion of Delfel Road. Commissioners Morris, Stanton, and Pridemore voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 110)

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PUBLIC HEARING: CAPITAL FACILITIES

Held a public hearing to consider the capital facilities plan, update of Clark County Comprehensive Plan.

[MINUTES TRANSCRIBED BY CINDY HOLLEY, RIDER & ASSOCIATES - TAPES 111, 112, & 113 USED.]

2 p.m. Bid Openings

Present at the Bid Openings: Rebecca Tilton, Deputy Clerk to the Board; Mike Westerman and Allyson Anderson, General Services

BID OPENING 2378

Held a public hearing for Bid Opening 2378 – Annual Clark County Road Atlas. Mike Westerman, General Services, opened and read bids and stated that it was their intention to award Bid 2378 on July 20, 2004, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' hearing room of the Clark County Public Service Center, 6th Floor. (See Tape 114)

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Betty Sue Morris/s/
Betty Sue Morris, Chair

Judie Stanton/s/
Judie Stanton, Commissioner

Craig A. Pridemore, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Rebecca Tilton/s/
Deputy Clerk of the Board
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